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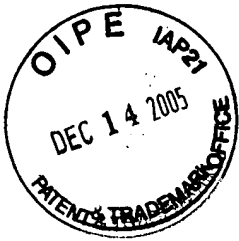
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In response to the restriction requirement Applicants elect claims 1 – 5 and 12 – 14 (Group I) to prosecute in this patent application. The applicants also are withdrawing claims 6 – 11 and 15 – 17 directed to the non-elected inventions. Applicants also elect the species “aliphatic carboxylic acids”.